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SUBJECT: PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER DEATH CASE: PROVINI

REF: (A) STATE 151094, (B) TEGUCIGALPA 3072

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED NOTE DATED JULY 5 FROM FOREIGN MINISTRY REPORTING CURRENT STATUS OF PROVINI CASE. NOTE TRANSMITS TEXT OF COMMUNICATION TO FOREIGN MINISTER FROM GENERAL POLICARPO PAZ GARCIA, CHIEF OF THE ARMED FORCES, IN RESPONSE TO FOREIGN MINISTER'S INQUIRY OF JUNE 21 TO GENERAL PAZ. INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF TEXT OF COMMUNICATION FOLLOWS:

2. QUOTE: MR. MINISTER: THIS IS TO ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF YOUR NOTE 976 SAC DATED JUNE 21, 1977, INREFERENCE TO AN INFORMATION REGARDING THE TRAGIC DEATH OF MISS ROSANNE PROVINI, PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER WHO DIED JULY 9, 1976, IN TEGUCIGALPA. IN RELATION TO THIS TRAGIC INCIDENT, I WISH TO INFORM YOU THAT FROM THE MOMENT WE HAD KNOWLEDGE OF THE IMPLICATION IN THIS CASE OF LIEUTENANT OF INFANTRY ISAAC SANTOS AGUILER, THIS OFFER WAS PLACED UNDER PREVENTIVE DETENTION AND LATER WAS PLACED UNDER THE DISPOSAL OF THE COMPENTENT TRIBUNAL HAVING JURISDICTION IN THIS CASE. THIS COURT OF JUSTICE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAW, ORDERED HIS PROVISIONAL FREEDOM ON BAIL, AS PROVIDED BY THE LAW, IN THIS CASE, AND AT THE PRESENT TIME THE CRIMINAL PROSECUTION OF

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THIS CASE CONTINUES IN THE COURTS OF THIS REPUBLIC. IT VSN BE STATED THAT EVEN THOUGH HIS PROVISIONAL FREEDOM WAS PERMITTED THE SUSPECT CONTINUES UNDER OUR ORDERS IN THE OFFICE IN WHICH HE WORKS, AND WE CONTINUE TO GIVE ALL OF OUR ATTENTION TO THE CHARGES AGAINST HIM. WE HAVE A SPECIAL INTEREST IN HAVING THE RESPONSIBILITIES IN THIS CASE DETERMINED TO THE BENEFIT OF OUR TRADITIONAL FRIENDLY RELATIONS THAT UNITE THE PEACE CORPS AND THE

GOOD NAME AND PRESTIGE OF THE ARMED FORCES; HOWEVER, IT WILL BE
THE COURT WHICH WILL DETERMINE THE MEASURES OR SANCTIONS TO BE
IMPOSED. LOYALTY, HONOR, SACRIFICE, BRIGADIER GENERAL
POLICARPO PAZ GARCIA, CHIEF OF THE AMRED FORCES. UNQUOTE.
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